

I have written to him again to ~~cancel~~
alter some names in compliance with
your last - also I had published
described as *Galinago calva* what
your observations have reminded me
was put into the genus by H.B.K and
transferred by Dr. de Sabazia where I
never thought of it. This forced I have
altered it to *Galinago aristipetala* - I
have asked for a spare copy of the
paper for you. - I hope you are
describing Seemann's for him.

Definitively I put *Oacea* into *Astroagalus*.
There are unicellular *Astroagali* in almost
all the groups and in many a gradus
progress from the complete dispermination
to none at all - all the sepal flowers
Brachycantha ~~are~~ without the dispermination

I think I am clearing up a little the
tribes of Papilionaceous genera - at least
I hope so - I must do something for
flora India for which I am doing the
leguminosae

Mr Bentham must again defer
writing to Mr Gray - she fell and hurt
her arm a fortnight ago and must keep
it in a sling for weeks to come - as
however her mind is free she will now
begin to write a little and as soon as she can
feel a sheet without fatigue shall
herself write. Ever your sincerely
July 15/52 - George Bentham

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My dear Gray

Many thanks for the paper just
received - I have also received the amount
due from you for *Bertoloni* and for
Spuria plants with many thanks -
and the first part of your most valuable
work on *Wrighti* Plants - I regret that
before I received it I had already dispatched
my enumeration of Rosted's Compositae
for I had not thought of examining
that *Eupatorium diffusum* and *Heliocorus*
Mexicanus beyond ascertaining their
identity and therefore have not referred
the former to *Breckellia* or the latter to
Georgiella as I have no doubt you are right
in doing. I have ~~published~~ ^{described} in it several new
Vernonia, *Eupatoria* and *Panicaria* - one
Eupatorium I had half a mind to make
a genus of - the *actinomia* of *Eupatorium*
but the poppetis of 5 sets only - not pollen
as in *Eupatorium* but stelae as in *Eupatorium*.
I was also much puzzled with a long series
of *Eupatoria* allied to *Chiedea*, a *paniculatum*
(both species I had got wrong named or in great
confusion when you saw my herb.) and I fear
I may have made too many species. *Corypha*
subdecurrens and its allies except I should think
to go into *Corypha* (or notes) - Many new
Heliocoruses - *Piqueria hispida* Robusta etc
a fine *Rithmonia* very near one of Seemann but
distinct two diplospores which find I scarcely

book I should have called *Baptisia* a new genus with the habit of a large *Thermopsis* (of the many headed sorts) which I have called *Pedacioenium* because the actinocarpic ones born on a spike half as long as the actinocarps, & concrepate or winged. The corolla are almost palea - like you I have reduced *Hedysarum* to *Eglea* *viridis* - & *E. dominicensis* & elaborate it I think a distinct species and I have added another - *Coccolia* puzzled me with the very flowers, ^{fusca} ~~purple~~ ~~white~~ ~~yellow~~ without anthers but otherwise like those of the daisies or rather smaller - not peltiform as in *Crochthites* nor ligulate as in *Leucanthemum* - so *Crochthites cordifolia* I reduce *E. umbellata* Gardner - I have it from numerous places in Brazil the W. Indies & Mexico - & think it distinct from your *E. micrantha* though very near it - & I think *E. micrantha* from Mexico belongs to *cordifolia* - altogether Rossetti's Compositae amount to under 670 species but many of the new ones from some of the mountains they call volcanos (especially Brasil and Maruya both I believe in Minas Gerais) are very distinct. I have kept one or two specimens for you but unfortunately there are very few to spare.

I find that there are some misplaced labels in my N. Zealand plants from Cunningham which may have occasioned wrong determinations in your Am. Appl. spp. plants - at least I have found one *Saururus calycaris* and *L. Faroiorum* had the labels interchanged - but you will easily find this out as *L. calycaris* is a Petromontane and *L. Faroiorum* a Peacock new genus (*Nesodaphne* J. D. Hook.) which includes *L. Faroio-*

I have just worked up *Thermopsis* and *Baptisia* - which are perfectly distinct genera though difficult to characterize on account of the E. Indian species, of which the fruit proper gradually from *T. lanceolata* to the inflatiform of *T. inflata* - still *T. inflata* fruit is very different from any *Baptisia*. In habit is *Baptisia* like *Thermopsis*? All *Thermopsis* of which the lower part of the stem is known to me have a creeping perennial root often sending throw up annual stems upon which the lower stipules are leafy and reduced to a membranous sheath - next come one two or more stipular sheaths with 2, 3 or 4 foliaceous lobes and these pop into the regular leafy stipule with a leaf between them - the poppy is much more gradual in the Asiatic than the American species but the lower leafy stipules may be seen in all but *T. mollis* of which I have not the lower part of the stem and *T. fragariopoda* which I have not yet at all. How is it in these two - and have you a specimen of the latter to work?

I have not the lower part of the stem of a single *Baptisia* - are their stems annual or perennial? Is this growth like that of *Thermopsis*? What is *Baptisia* known to you?

Since I wrote the above I have heard from Rossetti that he is printing my Enumeration of his Rubiaceae & Compositae